

VA FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND
40th Anniversary Planning Committee
August 14th, 2026, 12:00 P.M. – 3:00 P.M.
Microsoft Teams

Participation:

Trustee Committee Members Present: Amy Greear, Theresa Orr, Nichele Carver, Moira Holdren,

Trustee Committee Members Absent: Maria Salgado, Stacy Nixon

Staff/Guests Present: Nicole Poulin (Executive Director), Taylor Hohle (Senior Research Associate), Amanda Murphy (FACT Contractor) (left at 12:40pm)

Opening: The meeting was called to order at 12:03 PM.

Event Timeline and Updates:

- Executive Director Poulin reviewed the event timeline.
- Trustee Van Name has volunteered to cover the alcohol expenses for the event. This will cover one drink ticket for up to 200 people. Amanda will have Mosaic prepare an invoice. A sign will be placed on the bar to recognize the sponsorship.
- No additional sponsorships have been obtained at this time.
- QR Code & programs on the seats will be developed asking for donations: "\$40 for 40 years."
- Staff are working on securing a block of hotel rooms for out-of-town attendees at a discounted rate. This will be included in the invitation to encourage attendees to travel for the event.
- Trustee Carver suggested reducing the number of attendees from 250 to 150-200 and to allow "plus ones."
 - **A motion was made by Trustee Orr to allow for flexibility in the current event budget to include covering stipends for traveling awardees. Trustee Holdren seconded.**
- Speakers update:
 - Requests will be made to:
 - Duke Storen, Virginia Department of Social Services Commissioner
 - Marvin Figueroa, Secretary of Health and Human Resources
 - Senator Emily Jordon
 - Delegate Paul Krizek – confirmed
 - John Littel is unavailable.
 - Back up speakers include Traci Desharor - Secretary of Administration, Linda Gillium – former Board member, Delegate Ferrell, Tata, Chris Peace – FACT 35th Anniversary Awardee, Delegate Carr, Toni Blue – Deputy Secretary of Health and Human Resources
- **A motion was made by Trustee Greear to approve the discussed potential speakers for the event based on their availability. Trustee Orr seconded.**
- Event agenda:
 - 40-45 minutes for the program
 - A video of grantees will be presented (aim for 5 minutes)
 - Video statements from speakers who are unavailable may be presented.
 - Trustee Nichele and FACT staff will work on the specifics of the program agenda with Amanda.
- Additional 40th Activities
 - Board members will be asked to present the selected organizations with large checks for press releases.
 - House & Senate Proclamation in January – Former Board Chair Allison Lawrence will be assisting with this.

- Another legislative coffee hour will be hosted during the General Assembly session.

Review of Nominations:

- Trustee Carver provided the following statement: The FACT Events Committee would now like to go into closed session with all persons present for the limited purpose set out in Virginia Code 2.23711 (A)(6) of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act to discuss determination of the FACT 40th Anniversary Champions.
- **Trustee Orr moved to go into Closed Session for the purposes stated and Trustee Holdren seconded. There were no abstentions.**
- The Committee continued in Closed Session at 12:41pm.
- When the Committee later returned from Closed Session at 1:35pm, Trustee Carver provided the following statement: Whereas, the Family and Children's Trust Fund has convened a Closed Meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of The Freedom of Information Act; and Whereas, Section 2.2 - 3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Family and Children's Trust Fund that such Closed Meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Family and Children's Trust Fund hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters were identified in the motion convening the Closed Meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Family and Children's Trust Fund. **All members affirmed the statement.**
- **Trustee Orr made a motion to approve the slate of awardees selected in closed session to be announced at a later date. Trustee Greear seconded**

Next Steps:

The meeting was adjourned at 1:42PM.